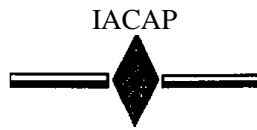


IOWA COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP
SERVING ALL 99 IOWA COUNTIES SINCE 1964



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**Iowa Community Action Association (ICAA), Iowa Community Action Partnership (ICAP)
and the Embrace Iowa Project Mission/Purpose:**

The purpose of ICAP is to assist in the provision of a better life for Iowa's low-income residents, through assistance to the Community Action organizations located within the State. ICAP is a 501©3 organization.

Embrace Iowa is a joint project between ICAA, ICAP and the Des Moines Register. The Des Moines Register takes a leadership role in sharing the real life stories of Iowans who are struggling to meet their most basic needs and educates the people of Iowa about the barriers and struggles the families are facing. Poverty is a complex issue, but through Embrace Iowa, the Des Moines Register helps explain the difficulties some families face in their efforts to improve their lives. With the knowledge Iowans have gained through Embrace Iowa, they respond with a generous spirit by financially supporting Embrace Iowa.

Embrace Iowa funds are valuable to the families who receive them as the funds can be used to fill in the gaps that often times go unmet. The flexibility of Embrace Iowa funds allows families to receive some assistance with a onetime gift and enables the families to get through a crisis and then move onto something better in their lives. One hundred percent of every dollar donated goes directly to help families. The administration costs to operate Embrace Iowa are paid for by the local agencies and the Des Moines Register. Contributions to Embrace Iowa are accepted year round and can be sent to:

Embrace Iowa
P.O Box 310149
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Once the funds are collected, ICAA/ ICAP distributes them to the 18 local community action agencies and staff members from those agencies review the applications from families who have asked for help. Once families are selected, a check is issued to the business that will provide the requested product or service. The most common categories for assistance last year were: car repairs, rental assistance, beds and appliances.

ICAA, ICAP and the Des Moines Register work in partnership for this truly remarkable program and we look forward to our continued work together.



According to IRS regulations, no goods or services were exchanged as a result of this gift.